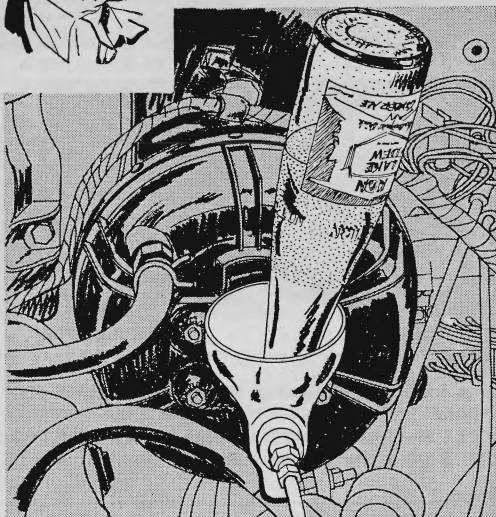




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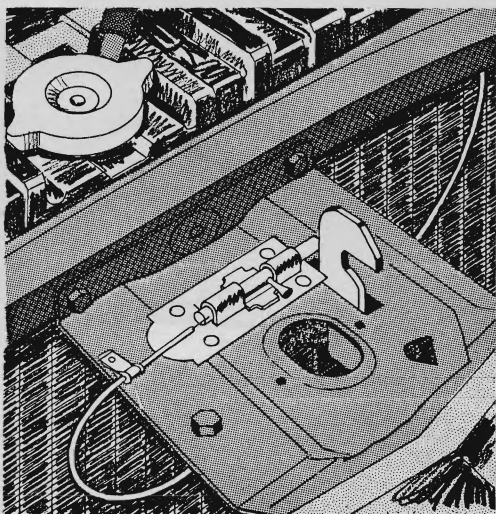
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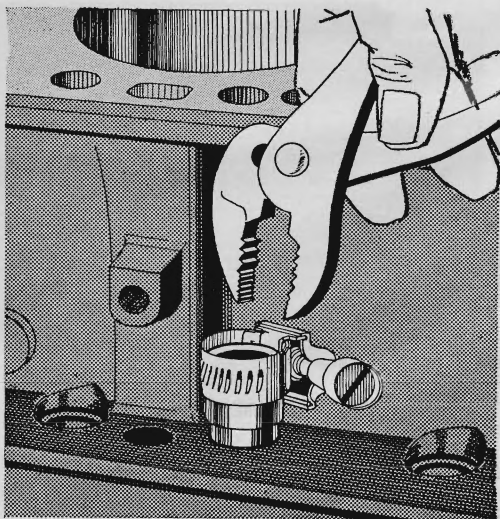
Brakes must be bled when refitting wheel cylinders after overhaul. To keep system from running dry, feed brake fluid to the master cylinder from a bottle. Leave the bleeder screw open. When fluid starts dripping through, no more bleeding is necessary.



Window-button rods that drop down inside a car door can be retrieved with this simple tool: a conical spiral of tightly coiled copper wire, brazed or soldered onto a 6" length of 3/32" rod. The tight coils easily engage the threads of the button rod for lifting it.



Make a foolproof dash-operated hood lock for a '68 Chevy (and other cars with a similar hood lock) with a door bolt and a standard 90" choke cable. Install the bolt so it prevents the latch from freeing the hood. Pull the cable to unlock the hood, push to lock.



Jammed valve lifters in six-cylinder engines can usually be removed with a worm-drive hose clamp. Tighten the clamp; then twist the lifter while pulling it out. This way, you avoid the nuisance of removing the oil pan to drive up the lifter from the bottom.